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[B Stoddert Pres<sup>t</sup> in Council to M<sup>r</sup> Jos Mitchell Surveyor of Worcester County]

We will mention the Gentleman you recommend as Deputy Surveyor, to the Examiner General, who will send you his Approbation, or Disapprobation

Ibid. [B. Stoddert Pres<sup>t</sup> in Council to Honble Intendant.]

We request you will deliver to Lieu<sup>t</sup> Baker, as much of the course Cloth, of which the enclosed is a Pattern, in the Hands of M<sup>r</sup> Crisall, as will make 20 Blankets.

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Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 1783.

Present His Excellency the Governor

Benjamin Stoddert, James Brice and John H Stone Esquires.—

The Intendant is requested to deliver as much of the Baize as will make Blankets for the following Men at the Magazine Guard; Robert Barrington, Nicholas McNemara, Patrick Conner, David Conner, Thomas Weston, James Currin and Richard Wilkson.—

Agreed with Capt Olander Delisle on the following Terms—to Insure his Vessel the Schooner Venus against Capture—to pay him and his Crew the Pay given to the Crews of the Barges, to find his Vessel in Provisions, Liquor, Arms and Ammunition for the Cruise, to pay him at the rate of forty pounds per Month and to repair any Damages his Vessel may sustain in Action and in case of Capture six hundred pounds specie to be paid for the Vessel.—

Whereas we are informed that Charles Riggs, Solomon Boon and James Ingram who have lately entered as Seamen to serve on board of the Armed Vessels of this State have run off and absconded or concealed themselves on board of some of the Merchant Vessels in this Harbour—You are therefore hereby authorized to go on board all such Merchant Vessels to search for the said Men and to arrest and detain such Vessels 'till search be made and to apprehend and bring back such Seamen if found in such Vessels and for so doing this shall be your Authority. Given in Council at Annapolis this 18<sup>th</sup> Day of March 1783.—  
W<sup>m</sup> Paca.—

To Captain Sol. Frazier.—

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[Council to Capt<sup>n</sup> John Lynn.]

In Addition to the two Barges which you were informed were intended for an Enterprize down the Bay, we have hired a small Schooner, which will delay the Cruize a Day or two. When the Barges go down, Provisions shall be sent for your Men; mean Time we hope you will not be in Want.